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Meeting - Environmental Improvement Commission

November 2, 2015, 6:00 PM

Westmont Public Library - Second Floor

428 North Cass Avenue, Westmont, Illinois 60559

Meeting Minutes - Final

1. Call To Order - Kim Lombardozzi called the meeting to order at 6: 04 p.m.
2. Roll Call - In attendance: Glenn Gabryel, Mary Gabryel, Kim Lombardozzi, Mary McAuliffe, Pam Ristau, (arrived 6:08), Jon Sopcak (arrived 6:09), and Bob Van Hyfte, Tyler Tieche (arrived 6:06). Staff in attendance: Larry McIntyre, Jon Yeater (Public Works), Christine Maleno (Westmont Public Library).
3. Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Kim Lombardozzi.
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes - **Motion: A motion was made by Glenn Gabryel to approve the meeting minutes from the October 5, 2015 meeting. The motion was second by Mary McAuliffe and unanimously approved by voice vote.**
5. Reports / Updates
 - a. EIC Presence at Community Events Update
 - Holly Day Parade Saturday November 28th at 5 pm. Jon Sopcak and Pam Ristau with their families will carry a banner and distribute y recycling flyer and candy at the parade.
 - Holly Day Ugly Sweater 5K race Saturday November 28th at 9 am.
 - **Action Item:**
 - **Jon Sopcak to coordinate EIC participation in the parade and create flyer for parade and 5K race. Flyer for 5K race needs to be delivered to Rotary (Virginia Szymiski) by Monday, November 23rd to be included in the race packets.**
 - **Provide 8 ½ x 11 Holiday Light Recycling Flyer that can be distributed to post at local business. Please provide to commission members before November 17th.**
 - **Jon Sopcak and Larry McIntyre to purchase candy for parade handout**

- Cooking Oil Recycling, Saturday November 28th 9am – noon at the south Fire Station
- **Action Item:**
- **Mary Gabryel and Erin Kennedy to volunteer at the event**

- b. 2015 / 2016 Goals & Budget Update
 - Restaurant food composting - Approximately 95 restaurants / fast food establishments in the village. Determine any interest in food composting by local businesses

 - Radon Awareness and Lead Paint
 - **Action Item:**
 - **Identify speaker for February meeting**
 - **Mary McAuliffe to present on lead paint issues in residential homes**
 - **Larry McIntyre to provide the number of Westmont homes constructed prior to 1978.**

 - Native Plants – Encourage residents and the village to plant more native plants
 - **Action Item:**
 - **Arrange for speaker in March. Christine Maleno (Westmont Public Library) and Jon Yeater (Westmont Public Works) to coordinate speaker for Monday, March 7th**

 - Home Energy Savings and Programs offered by Com Ed and Nicor
 - **Action Item:**
 - **Tyler Tieche to identify speaker for April**
 - **Larry McIntyre to contact Com Ed and Nicor**

 - Earth Month Events
 - Earth Day April 22nd and Arbor Day April 29th
 - 20TH Anniversary of Westmont Tree City
 - Explore planting additional trees at local schools to celebrate the anniversary
 - Rain Barrel promotion/contest
 - Promotion to show growth of tree saplings planted over the last several years
 - **Action Items:**
 - **Need to determine EIC budget for promotions and additional tree plants**
 - **Explore promotional and marketing ideas to highlight items noted above**

- **Develop Earth Month promotions and programs**

- c. New Climate Action Plan Update – Toolkit Event Feedback

Bob Van Hyfte and Glenn Gabryel attended the Chicago Climate Action Plan meeting at the Field Museum on Oct 30th. The focus was school awareness programs and community outreach. No specifics that directly related to village operations

Kim Lombardozzi after last month's subgroup meeting created a draft summary document to capture data. Documents and related support information posted in Google Docs

Currently Downers Grove and Wheaton do not have Climate Action Plans.

Action Item:

Continue work on updating the plan.

Kim Lombardozzi to distribute a copy of the City of Chicago and Hoffman Estate plans for reference

- d. Guest Speakers Schedule Update

- Discussed above

6. New Business

- a. Energy audit of Westmont building

Audit would be performed with no direct cost to the village

- **Action Item:**
- **Mary McAuliffe and Larry McIntyre to discuss with Village Manager Steve May**

- b. Cool City DuPage Resolution

- Determined review of the DuPage County Energy Conservation and Air Quality Improvement Plan would be necessary before the EIC could make a recommendation on this resolution.
- **Action Item:**
- **Glenn Gabryel, Kim Lombardozzi and Pam Ristau agreed to review the 95 page document and provide comments by Monday, November 9th.**

- **Larry McIntyre to create a Google Doc for commissioners could provide their comments**
- **Mary McAuliffe to contact Andrea Dierich, DuPage County Environmental Coordinator Building & Zoning Department to discuss comments from commissioners and report back at the December meeting.**

c. GMO labeling resolution

- Discussion if commission was in a position to make a resolution to support state and local rights to label genetically engineered foods. This is in response to pending federal legislation that would prohibit States from labeling genetically engineered foods.

No decision was made and deferred to the December meeting.

Action Item:

Commissioners to review material for next meeting

7. Misc. / Action Items

- Downers Grove Township cancelled the electronics recycling drop off as well as several other local communities. Larry McIntyre received a preliminary quote from Waste Management of \$12 annually per household for curbside pickup. Several member of the commission agree with the need but thought a site drop off would be more environmentally correct versus curbside and requested Larry McIntyre to get a quote for site pickup monthly and quarterly.
- **Action Item:**
- **Larry McIntyre to obtain additional quotes from Waste Management**
- November 15th is America Recycles Day
- Next meeting Monday December 7th.at the Village Hall

8. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Bob Hyfte seconded by Pam Ristau and unanimously approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.



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